

PROCLAMATION SCHOOL COUNSELING MONTH February 2004

WHEREAS, school counselors are actively committed to helping students explore their abilities, strengths, interests and talents as these traits relate to career awareness and development; and

WHEREAS, school counselors help parents focus on ways to further the educational, personal and social growth of their children; and

WHEREAS, school counselors work with teachers and other educators to help students explore their potential and set realistic goals for themselves; and

WHEREAS, school counselors seek to identify and utilize community resources to enhance and complement comprehensive school counseling programs and to help students become productive members of society; and

WHEREAS, comprehensive developmental school counseling programs are considered an integral part of the educational process that enables all students to achieve success in school; and

WHEREAS, the more than 200 members of the North Dakota School Counselor Association have developed a curriculum framework for counseling programs to serve as a model for North Dakota schools; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as the Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim February 2004, **SCHOOL COUNSELING MONTH** in the State of North Dakota.

/s/ John Hoeven Governor

Attest:

/s/ Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State